

MICHIGAN COMMISSION ON SERVICES TO THE AGING AND STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON AGING JOINT MEETING

**Office of Services to the Aging
Radisson Hotel & Conference Center
7501 W. Saginaw Hwy., American Room; Lansing, MI
April 17, 2015 @9:00 AM**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Mast called the meeting to order at 9:02 A.M. This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMISSION ROLL CALL

The Commission roll call was taken and a quorum was present.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT

Harold Mast, Matthew Adeyanju, Michael Burri, Douglas Chalgian, Sibyl Ellis, Joan Ilardo, Gerald Irby, Donald Newport, Richard Ortega, Patricia Rencher, Jeffery Schade, Michael Sheehan and Kristie Zamora.

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT (excused)

Donna Murray-Brown.

COUNCIL ROLL CALL

Commissioner Mast asked Gloria Lanum to take the Council on Aging roll call.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Regina Allen, Alan Bond, Vicente Castellanos, Elizabeth Ireland-Curtis, Kathleen Johnston-Calati, Mary Jones, Barbara Leo, Gerald McCole, Pamela McKenna, Perry Ohren, Roy Pentilla, Gene Pisha, Mary Lou Proefrock, Donald Ryan, Linda Strohl, Terry Vear, Susan Vick, Wendy White, Kathleen Williams-Newell, Rich Zeck, John Zimmerman, and Robyn Ford as Ex-Officio, with John Murphy on the phone.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT (excused)

Nellie Blue, Kellie Boyd, Lawrence Brooks, Charles Corwin, Georgia Durga, Kathleen Earle, Thomas Hartwig, Lois Hitchcock, Victoria Laupp, Nicolette McClure, Jean Peters, Mona Sashital and Ginny Wood-Broderick.

AGING AND ADULT SERVICES AGENCY (AASA) STAFF PRESENT

Kari Sederburg, Leslie Shanlian, Eric Berke, Amy Colletti, Dan Doezema, Carol Dye, Dawn Jacobs, Sherri King, Gloria Lanum, Phil Lewis, Laura McMurtry, Wendi Middleton, Tari Muniz, Becky Payne, Lauren Swanson-Aprill, Dawne Velianoff and Scott Wamsley.

VISITORS/GUESTS PRESENT

Governor Rick Snyder, Jeff Barnes, Director, Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency, Lynn Hendges, MVAA, Janet Clark, Director, RSVP, Bob Clingenpeel, Ryan Cowmeadow, Jim

McGuire and Christine Keskenny of AAA 1-B, Amy Duff, Dave Smoker and Don Pope of Coldwater, Carolyn Stramecki, Honoring Healthcare Choices-Michigan and Dona Wishart.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Mast asked for a motion to approve the agenda.

A motion was made by Commissioner Irby to approve the agenda. Commissioner Sheehan seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously with a voice vote.

APPROVAL OF COMMISSION MINUTES

Commissioner Sheehan asked for a motion to approve the March 20, 2015, minutes.

Ms. Dye noted a correction to the minutes. Commissioner Newport made a motion to approve the amended minutes. Commissioner Reid-Smith seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously with a voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Janet Clark, Director of three volunteer programs, thanked the Commission for their support when the Corporation wanted to change and remove the volunteer programs. Michigan's RSVP volunteers dedicated over 70,000 hours of service last year, with two-thirds of their services dedicated to seniors, when this program's main focus is children. She hopes the commission knows what seniors do for others matter, but what this program does to enhance the lives of the senior volunteers themselves matter greatly.

Amy Duff, Executive Director of the Branch County Commission on Aging, presented a beautiful stained glass map of Michigan created by volunteers Dave Smoker and Don Pope, stained glass instructors from the Burnside Senior Center in Coldwater.

Ryan Cowmeadow and Jim McGuire, along with other members of the Silver Key Coalition, thanked the commission for their support and effort in helping to secure additional funding towards making Michigan a no-wait state.

COMMISSION CHAIR REPORT

Commissioner Mast provided a brief overview of his conversation with Director Nick Lyon on the new merger.

Commissioner Mast stated travel receipts turned in for reimbursement must be itemized.

AGING AND AGING SERVICES AGING (AASA) EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Director Sederburg thanked Amy, Dave and Don for the beautiful artwork, as well as Ryan Cowmeadow, Jim McGuire and members of the Silver Key Coalition for attending. She welcomed and thanked the State Advisory Council on Aging for all their work and for attending this meeting.

Director Sederburg provided a handout of the organizational restructure on the new Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, and the new Aging and Adult Services Agency, formerly known as the Office of Services to the Aging, noting details are still being worked out with the goal of full implementation by the new fiscal year.

Director Sederburg stated the role of the Commission will continue and expand as policy changes come to AASA in other areas and programs.

Director Sederburg announced the Giving and Volunteering event that celebrates volunteerism around the state, and honors volunteers across the spectrum.

Director Sederburg stated there are currently two budgets, one for the new department, and one for the old departments, that are working their way through the legislature, so that will be a transition through summer, noting AASA will not receive any reductions or cuts.

Commissioner Irby requested a presentation on long term care facilities, and their effect on seniors.

A question was asked with regard to seniors with Alzheimer's and Dementia, and how Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) fits into the merger with regulatory policies.

Director Sederburg stated per the executive order, LARA will handle licensing functions, including homes for the aged and adult foster care. Long term care is being defined as it relates to home and community-based policy through facility-based policy.

A question was asked through the reorganization, how will budget oversight be handled as it relates to the Older Michiganiaan's Act (OMA).

Director Sederburg stated everything governed in and through the Older Michiganiaan's Act is written into the executive order and will remain in AASA, including policy and funding oversight of the Area Agencies on Aging.

Director Sederburg announced the 28th Geriatric Symposium - Continuing the Journey: Advanced Dementia and End of Life at the Henry Center next Friday.

Director Sederburg announced the Older Michiganiaans Day event will be held on June 2nd on the Capitol Lawn, and the platform and agenda are being finalized.

Legislative Update

Phil Lewis, AASA's Public Affairs Specialist, provided a factsheet related to CMS policy related to Medicare plans, and an overview of the Rx program changes for 2016. He also provided brief updates on the Proposal 1 Road Funding Bill, Auto No Fault Reform Bill and energy policies.

Commissioner Reid-Smith stated she understands those and their spouse who are passively enrolled through the MIHealth initiative and have a supplementary policy through a union, for example, will lose their benefits beginning May 1st.

Director Sederburg offered to invite Susan Yontz, the integrated care expert, to a commission meeting, and she'll speak with Jo Murphy, director of the Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program, to see if they're aware of this issue. As well, the Michigan Disability

Rights coalition received a grant to support individuals with this initiative, and she'll reach out to them for answers.

Financial Update

Scott Wamsley, AASA staff, provided a handout and updates on AASA's fiscal year (FY) 15 federal and state funding and budget activities.

BUSINESS ITEMS (Part 1)

Request for Approval of the Revised Criteria for Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 Annual Implementation Plans (AIPs)

Eric Berke, AASA staff, provided an overview of the approval criteria for the FY 16 Annual Implementation Plans, which were revised to account for updates to area plan formats.

A motion was made by Commissioner Schade to affirm and approve the revised criteria for FY 2016 AIPs, as presented. Commissioner Irby seconded the motion.

Commissioner Mast asked the Commission for suggestions they feel might assist in the AIP approval process. Additional discussion followed and this motion was approved with a voice vote.

Request for Approval of United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP) funding, known as Senior Project FRESH/Market FRESH in Michigan

Sherri King, AASA staff, requested approval of the Senior Project FRESH Program grant funding for coupons, with up to ten percent of the award for administrative costs to print, ship and market the coupons.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sheehan to approve the USDA SFMNP funding, known as Senior Project FRESH/Market FRESH in Michigan, as presented. Commissioner Ellis seconded the motion.

Ms. King offered to provide a chart showing SFMNP funding carryover, and by how much within each region. Commissioner Mast asked to have a special review of the local SFMNP in one of the upcoming meetings outside of Lansing. Additional discussion followed, and this motion was approved with a 14-0-0 vote.

Request for Approval of Empowering Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities through Chronic Disease Self-Management Programs

Sherri King, AASA staff, stated AASA is in its third year of this grant, and she requested approval from the Commission to carry over funds to continue reaching the underserved populations with self-management education programs.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reid-Smith to approve Empowering Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities through Chronic Disease Self-Management programs, as presented. Commissioner Ortega seconded the motion.

Additional discussion followed, and this motion was approved with a 13-0-1 vote.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS (Part 1):
Presentation on Veteran's Affairs

Jeff S. Barnes, Director of the Michigan Veterans' Affairs Agency, provided a handout, Resources for the Senior Veteran Population, and a detailed overview and presentation.

BUSINESS ITEMS (Part 2)

Approval of State Advisory Council (SAC) on Aging Appointments

Commissioner Michael Sheehan, SAC Chair, announced 11 reappointments and new appointments to the SAC.

A motion was made by Commissioner Adeyanju to approve the 11 reappointed and newly appointed SAC members, as presented. Commissioner Ellis seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously with a voice vote.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS (Part 2):

Commissioner Sheehan asked Lauren Swanson-Aprill, AASA SAC Lead, to present an adjunct report as a follow up to the SAC's Baby Boomer Report.

Ms. Swanson-April along with SAC members Liz Ireland-Curtis, Donald Ryan, Richard Zeck and Pam McKenna who lead the four portions of the adjunct report on Education, Veterans, Volunteerism and Media related to positive aging.

SPECIAL VISITOR

Governor Rick Snyder visited and addressed the CSA/SAC joint meeting participants.

BUSINESS ITEMS (Part 3)

Request for Approval to Reallocate Program Year (PY) 2014/2015 Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) Funds

Laura McMurtry, AASA staff, requested approval to reallocate PY 2014/2015 unspent SCSEP funding from Region 8 to Macomb St. Clair Michigan Works to continue the work of serving mature workers.

A motion was made by Commissioner Newport to approve reallocation of PY 2-14/2-15 SCSEP funds, as presented. Commissioner Ortega seconded the motion.

Additional discussion followed, and this motion was approved with a 14-0-0 vote.

Commissioner Mast tabled Informational Items, Older Adult Refugee Grant Amendment, and PREVNT Update to the next meeting.

Announcements:

The next CSA meeting will be held on May 15th, with the Gatekeeper of the Year breakfast event planned prior to the meeting at 8:00 A.M. at this same location.

The next SAC meeting will be held on Thursday, June 18, 2015.

Following today's meeting, there will be a public hearing at 1:00 PM at this same location.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Mast asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Sheehan. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Irby. This motion was approved unanimously with a voice vote.

Commissioner Mast adjourned the meeting at 12:06 PM